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FM AMEMBASSY SAIGON

TO AMEMBASSY BERN

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USDEL JEC PARIS

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SAIGON 13356

LIMDIS

FOR AMBASSADOR DAVIS FROM AMBASSADOR MARTIN

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT PINS PFOR VS

SUBJ: "POLITICAL PRISONERS"

REFS: A) BERN 3826; B) SAIGON 12856; C) USDEL JEC 23426

1. I MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR TIMELY FOLLOW-UP ON THE SUGGESTION WE MADE IN REF B, BASED ON THE EXCELLENT REPORTING IN REF C. THE RESULTS OF YOUR SUCCESSFUL INTERVENTION MADE A VERY REAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR POLICY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

2. YOUR SUCCESS REINFORCES MY LONG HELD CONVICTION THAT OUR DIPLOMATIC POSTS ABROAD CAN DO A VERY GREAT DEAL TO BLUNT, IF NOT WHOLLY COUNTER, THE PERVASIVE WORLDWIDE CAMPAIGN WHICH HAS DONE SO MUCH DAMAGE. BUT THIS CAN BE DONE ONLY IF THEY ARE GIVEN, IN A TIMELY WAY, PRECISE INFORMATION BEARING ON A PARTICULAR SITUATION.

3. THE MISSION, WITH THE EXCELLENT BACKSTOPPING OF USDEL JEC IN PARIS, WILL CONTINUE TO DO THE BEST IT CAN WITHIN ITS LIMITED

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RESOURCES. BUT THIS EFFORT CANNOT REALLY ACHIEVE THE RESULTS WE

NEED UNLESS THE EXTENSIVE RESOURCES OF THE DEPARTMENT CAN BE EFFECTIVELY MOBILIZED. FROM MY CONVERSATIONS WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB AND DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY MILLER WHILE IN THE DEPARTMENT ON CONSULTATION I AM CONFIDENT WE WILL SOON SEE A VASTLY IMPROVED PERFORMANCE IN THIS VITALLY IMPORTANT TASK.  
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